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More Shopping Days

Before X'mas

er Saturday; Sunday probably rain. Thought For the Day.

The Weather.

South Carolina: Cloudy and warm-

A false pleasure makes a true pain There is no confirmation of the report that the shoemakers are opposed

to the walking fad. Washington women are said to be wearing gowns to correspond in color to their lap dogs. Society seems to be

It's a long, long way to the 12th of January, but South Carolina's heart and hope are right there.

going to the dogs.

President Wilson is announcing that he is opposed to the literacy test for immigrants, is rather hard on one of Mr. Hearst's pet editorial texts.

We'll bet that within ten days after the army and navy appropriation bills have been passed by Congress, there won't be ten cents' worth of discussion of "preparedness" in all the newspa-

Ere long South Carolina will be Manning the ship of state for a new

It would be hard to improve upon the expression of the New York World next few days. There is financial that certain newspapers and politi- stringency in this city and county, as

Col. Roosevelt is said to have declared that Germany will win the victory in the war, so what's the use to ply of whiskey for consumption durgo on fighting about it?

Wonder who is acting as press agent for Gov. Hunt, of New Mexico?

The Washington Herald, standpat Republican sheet, seems to be inclined to say a few nice things about Mr. Bryan, We hope it won't keep it up, though, for if it does, people will begin to lose faith in the Secretary of

#### ............ OUR DAILY PORM

Words Wonderful Things. Keep a watch on your words, young

people,
For words are wonderful things;
They are sweet, like the bee's fresh boney; Like the bees, they have terrible

stings!

stings!
They can bless like the warm, glad sunshine,
And brighten a lonely life;
They can cut in the strile of anger
Like an open, two-edge knife.
Let them pass through your lips un-

Let them pass through your lips un-challenged.

If their errand is true and kind.

If they come to support the weary,
To comfort and help the blind;
If a bitter, revengeful spirit
Prompt the words, let them be un-said;
They may flash through a brain like
lightning, lightning, Or fall on the heart like lead. —Selected.

OUR HOLY GRAIL

Anyone who has gone through the high school recalls the story told by New England poet of the knight of old who sallied forth from his castle tively small. one fine morning in quest of the Holy Grail. The story goes that the knight, ere his proud charger had borne him toyond the shadows of his castle battlements, was accosted by a filthy beggar who pitcously asked but a crust of bread.

The warrior, of course, spurned the wretch who dared accost him while bound on so high a mission as that of the decision of August 1. seeking out the Holy Grail. Years passed and the bold knight seached in broken in health and withered by hardships, the knight rode back to his vast estate. As he was about to reenter the gate he was accosted by a filthy beggar who asked but a crust of bread and a drink of water. The knight gave ear to the mendicant's pleading and dismounting parted his bread with the beggar and gave him to drink out of his own cup. It was the importance to be attached to the va-same beggar whom the knight had rious considerations presented, we spurned when he set out to find the Holy Grail, which typified the Christ.

And, lo and behold, as the aged and broken knight fed the miserable beggar, a great light broke upon his soul, for he discovered that in the act of succoring that wretched creature he had found the Holy Grail, that which by at his own gate.

We recite the story because it illustrates a condition which the people of Anderson must face this winter brought about by circumstances over which the poor souls have no control. Shall we be like the foolish knight? our search for the Holy Grail in for- months, respectively." eign fields, only to return broken and wasted after years of fruitless searching, to find that we passed by the coveted object here at our very doors -the Master's sheep?

#### TO BE REGRETTED

It is to be regretted that there were not more people, and especially some of the city's representative business men, out for the meeting last night at the chamber of commerce of the committee having in charge the matter of raising funds for the relief of the Belgian war sufferers. It is to be regretted all the more for the reason that measures looking toward relief of local conditions, which are said to already be bad and which will undoubtodly be worse before winter is over. were to have been discussed.

We believe that the good people of Anderson are going to be compelled to give their attention to some measures boking toward local relief before prosperous times have returned. And the sooner they realize the truth of this and take the matter seriously in hand, the better it will be for all, and especially those whose welfare is to ceed 5 per cent. be looked after. We are inclined to believe, however, that the weather rather than lack of interest in this very serious matter was responsible for the non-attendance of cittzens genorally at the meeting last night.

#### DOESN'T IT PAY!

If we err not, one of the blessings of prohibition in Anderson will be emphasized quite strongly within the reli as elsewhere, and owing to this condition there are comparatively few people who are going to heave up several dollars to send away for a suping the holidays. But were there dispensaries in the county or other institutions where liquor could be retailed legally, it is quite probable that numbers of poor people-oblivious for the moment of their financial conditionwould step into such places and while keyed up with excitement natural to the occasion, spend their last pennies for whiskey. There is a marked difference in hauling out several dollars at a time and sending it off to a foreign whiskey house several days before the Christmas spirit of recklessness gets hold of one, and fishing up a much smaller amount, on the spur of the moment, at Christmas, and getting a bottle of the stuff which some think indispensable to the proper observance of this holy occasion.

THE INSTANCE AT HOME An illuminating example of the real advantage of the savings bank not only to the depositor but to the community in which it is located was the disbursement yesterday by one of the banks of this city of a fund of more than \$7,000 which accumulated during the fat months of the first half of the year comes now as a boom at of the year comes now as a boom a a time of stress.—Florence Times.

## THE 1915 BOY

"I will not throw sticks or rocks at hornet's nests." (But birds he bet-ter build high.)

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE.)

revenue derived from them is rela In the eastern districts 10 per cent of the entire volume of freight is anthracite 31 per cent. bituminous coal, 5 per cent. coke, 5 per cent. ores. The

coal roads, in the opinion of the com mission, already are profitable. After further commission permits advances to be made on cement, starch, brick, tile, clay and plaster. On these commo dities no advances were permitted by

Joint rates between official classifi cation territory and territory south vain for the phantom object. Finally, of the Potomac and Ohio and east of the Mississippi may be increased not

to exceed 5 per cent. Interstate rates to and from New England also may be increased not to

exceed 5 per cent.
While present existing differentials among various Atlantic ports are preserved the rates between any two of them also may be increased 5 per cent. The decision says:

"While we differ as to the relative agree in the conclusion that it is necessary that the carriers revenues be supplemented by increases throughout official classification ter-Whatever the consequences of the war may prove to be, we must recognize the fact that it exists, the fact that it is a calamity without precedent, and the fact that by it the commerce of the world has been dishe had set out to hunt years before, arranged and thrown into confusion and which he had unknowingly passed The means of transportation are indispensable agency in our industrial life and for the common weal should be kept abreast of public requirements.

"Carriers will be required to keep the question of human distress an account of the additions to their prought about by circumstances over revenues from increases in rates subsequent to July 29, 1914, and from new charges, and to report separate-Shall we be like the foolish knight? Shall we spurn them and go ahead in end of twelve and twenty-fc/.r

> After stating the exceptions, the decision proceeds:

"In our original report we declined to allow increased rates in Ceutral Freight Association territory on plaster. On further consideration, in the light of existing situation these rates may be increased throughout official classification territory under the limitations herein set forth.

"Joint rates between official classification territory on the one hand and southeastern territory, the southwest and points on or east of the Missouri river on the other, may oc increased not to exceed 5 per cent. A the division of the rr/s accruing to the corriers in official classification territory. If these increases involve a change in the relationship under the long and short haul rule between intermediate points and more distant points outside of official classification territory relief from the fourth sec tion of the act must first be secured on regular application.

"Interstate rates to and from New England from and to points in trunk line or Central Freight Association territory, where necessary to serve established relationships tween points or ports in New England and points or ports in trunk line territory, may be increased, not to ex-

"Subject to the maintenance of the established Atlantic port different-ials, rates to and from New York may be increased not to exceed 5 per cent., and rates to and from Portland, Boston, Philadelphia and Baltimore may be increased to the extent necessary to maintain said differentials.
"Except as otherwise above speci

fled rates in official classification territory may be increased by not more than 5 per cent.; but rates increased since July 29, 1914, may not now be again increased so as to exceed those then in effect by an aggregate of more than 5 per cent. of the intra-territorial rate, or of the portion or of more than 5 per cent. of the intra-territorial rate, or of the portion or division of the inter-territorial rate accruing to the road or roads in of-ficial classification territory, as the ficial classification territory, as the case may be.

"In some instances and in part be-cause of the pendency of this pro-ceeding, we have recently suspended proposed increased rates in this territory. Carriers may, if they so elect, now cancel such tariffs so suspended and file in lieu thereof tariffs which conform to the limitations above specified. If that is done such suspension will be vacated.

"To the extent above indicated we now modify our previous finding, and

\$1,000,000 Estate Sold, NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—An estate of more than \$1,000,000 is disposed of by the will of Richard A. Canfield,

# INCREASE IN FREIGHT RATES WANTS \$500,000 BOND ISSUE FOR HIGHWAYS

FARMER WOULD LIKE TO SEE ANDERSON COUNTY VOTE THIS NOW

#### GOOD RESULTS WOULD FOLLOW

Permanent Highways Would Be Established and Work Given Unemployed.

"I believe that now is the time to take up immediately the question of a bond issue for a system of public lighways in Anderson County. The legislature meets next month and we could get a bill passed there easily giving the county the right to issue bonds in the sum of from \$100,000 to \$500,000, redeemable in 40 years, at 4 1-2 per cent. interest, and hold the election late in February or in March election late in February or in March and have the work well underway by April or May," said a prominent would be nefit indirectly."

farmer of the county yesterday.

"The issuing of these bonds in the spring of next year will accomplish two important results; first, it will be the means of at least giving the county a modern, permanent and complete system of highways; and secondly, it will furnish more than enough work for all persons in the county, and especially in the rural districts, who may be temporarily thrown out of work because of conditions prevailing. It is just the time to make a proper move to give the county a real system of good roads.

"Such a sum would be sufficient to build from 150 to 200 miles of magnificent permanent highway, and the amount of money now being spent to build temporary and makeshift coun try roads would be more than suffi-cient to maintain the new bonded system to be thus built and to pay the interest on the bonds.

"I have talked with many farmers and quite a few business men, and I know the farmers favor the issue. It is only a question of lining up the business men. While the farmer

#### "Sinking"—By Wireless Tells Fate of Vessel

(By Associated Press.)

SAN DIEGO, Calif., Dec. 18 .- "Sinking," a laconic wireless message re-ceived here soon after 10 o'clock to-night told the fate of the American-Hawaiian steamer Isthmian, bound for New York with a million dollar cargo of fruits and wines

The Isthmian tore open her bow on San Benito Island, 300 miles south of here early today, by running on a rock. The cruiser West Virginia, the destroyer Perry and the naval tug Iroquois were conveying her to port.

Granted Permission to Return. WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Permission has been granted by the state department to about 500 German women and children, stranded as wer refugees at Shanghai, China, to pass through the United States on their way back to Germany.

WAR OF WORDS IN THE HOUSE (CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE.)

bring it before the meeting, and enclosing a copy of my speech. In the South, particularly North Carolina, several of them did not approve of

"How many of these letters did you write?"

"I do not know, I gave it to one of these publicity fellows."

"What organizations did you employ for that purpose?" persisted Mr. Gray.

"Do you mean to say 'Am I in alliance with the manufacturers of ma-

terial? I am paying every cent my "Didn't you write letters to those organizations asking them to write to their senators and congressmen?"
"Do you assert that I did?" shout-

ed Mr. Gardner. "I don't assert anything," replied

Mr. Gray. Mr. Gardner read a newspaper ar-

Mr. Gardner read a newspaper article which said it was intimated at the White House that the movement came from people allied with producers of war materials.

"Now," he said, "I am tired of this kind of talk. If any admiral or general tells the country what you need and ought to get, you say 'You—drascal, you are trying to raise your standing by advocating this thing? standing by advocating this thing?'
Then if any private citizen gets up they say, 'You are bought by the man who has material for sale.' If any

replied Mr. Gray.
"Then," said Mr. Gardner, "I am

"Then," said Mr. Gardner, "I am through, unless there is somebody who has something to say."

Representative Gardner read a long statement in support of his proposal for investigation of the national defenses by a special commission, earlier in the session.

"I am here to ask you to appropriate for the rull number of new ships recommended by the general naval-board for this year's construction."

board for this year's construction,

now modify our previous finding, and carriers affected may file, effective on not less than 16 days notice, such in risk as do not offend against the restrictions above stated."

The exceptions from the proposed increase of rates are stated in the decision as follows:

1. Rail-lake-and-rate, lake and me to are stated in the decision as follows:

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"I am sorry to say," continued Mr.

decision as follows:

1. Rail-lake-and-rate, lake and rail and lake rates.

2. Rates on bituminous coal and coke.

3. Rates on anthracite coal and iron ore.

4. Fates held by unexpired orders of the commission.

\$1,000,600 Estate Seld.

NEW YORK Dec. 18 App. setate for managing them?

\$1,000,000 Estate Sold,
NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—An estate of more than \$1,000,000 is disposed of by the will of Richard A Canfield, the gambler, who died December 11. The will-admitted to probate today names a residuary legates the widnames a residuary legates to day to have been residuary legates the first class gowers early in August, do you residual to was that no less than nine of our hattischips would not have been residuary to Bant? We have been residuary to Bant? We

attention had been paid to the general board's emphatic appeals for our national safety, instead of only 27 batleships built, and building and au thorized, we should now have 47 bat tleships built, building and authorized; instead of 68 destroyers, should now have 187 destroyers. If we heeded the addice of the general board, we should have a fleet of fact scouts today. How many do you think we actually have got? Just three, and those were authorized over ten

years ago. "You know that we have 56 sub marines in all, built and building, good, bad and indifferent. Now comes Secretary Daniels and in a few soothing words recommends suma-rines to the pairry number of eight of

"We have just a dozen aeroplanes in the navy. The general naval board in its current report says that we must spend \$5,000,000 on aircraft. Secretary Daniels recommends no regular specific appropriation at all, but he tells us about a volunteer aircraft force. Captain Bristol says that volunteer force doesn't amount to Hannah Cook.

"Some persons have quoted Rear Admiral Fletcher as saying the Amer-ican navy ranks ahead of that of Ger-many. I have searched the admiral's evidence and find that he said nothing of the sort. I don't believe that any well informed man believes our fleet to be superior to that of Ger-many. A year ago, Rear Admiral C. E. Vreeland testified that we are third in the race, and moreover, that we are a pretty bad third, for he said that we should still be third in 1920, even if we adopted the building pro-gram of the general board."

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#### CHILDREN'S PROGRAM"

Don't forget the Children's Program today; it starts at 10 o'clock this morning.

"LITTLE RED RIDING HOOD" THE MIDNIGHT RIDING OF PAUL REVERE" "A VISIT TO THE NEW YORK ZOO" "THE LITTLE WAIF'S CHRISTMAS" "LITTLE JULES VERNE" A good Comic Reel yet to be selected.

#### **REGULAR PROGRAM**

"THE MYSTERY OF SEVENCHESTS", a Selig two reel special. "HEARST-SELIG NEWS VICTORIA NO. 69" "POST NO BILLS"-Edison. "THE CHIEF OF POLICE"-Kalem "MYSTERY OF THE LOST STRADIVARIOUS?-Edison. Coming Tuesday-"THE COUNTY CHAIRMAN"

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